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Attorney Docket No. 5490-000341

First Inventor Maridew, et al.

Title METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR USE OF A SELF-TAPPING RESORBABLE SCREW

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APPLICATION ELEMENTS

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1. Fee Transmittal Form (e.g., PTO/SB/17)
(Submit an original and a duplicate for fee processing)
2. Applicant claims small entity status.
See 37 CFR 1.27.
3. Specification [Total Pages 21]
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 Descriptive title of the Invention
 Cross References to Related Applications
 Statement Regarding Fed Sponsored R & D
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 Back Ground of the Invention
 Brief Summary of the Invention
 Detailed Description
 Claim(s)
 Abstract of the Disclosure
4. Drawing(s) (35 U.S.C.113) [Total Sheets 9] [Total Pages 1]
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a. Newly executed (original or copy)
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ACCOMPANYING APPLICATIONS PARTS

9. Assignment Papers (cover sheet & document(s))
10. 37 C.F.R. §3.73(b) Statement Power of
(when there is an assignee) Attorney
11. English Translation Document (if applicable)
12. Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)/PTO-1449 Copies of IDS
Citations
13. Preliminary Amendment
14. Return Receipt Postcard (MPEP 503)
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15. Certified Copy of Priority Document(s)
(if foreign priority is claimed)
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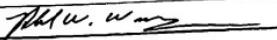
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FEE CALCULATION

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Large Entity	Small Entity	Fee Code (\$)	Fee Code (\$)	Fee Description	Fee Paid
1001 750	2001 375	Utility filing fee	750		
1002 330	2002 165	Design filing fee			
1003 520	2003 260	Plant filing fee			
1004 750	2004 375	Reissue filing fee			
1005 160	2005 80	Provisional filing fee			

SUBTOTAL (1)

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2. EXTRA CLAIM FEES

Total Claims	Extra Claims	Fee from below	Fee Paid
43	20 **	X 18	= 414
Independent Claims	4	-3 **	= 84

Multiple Dependent	X	=	0
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Large Entity	Small Entity	Fee Code (\$)	Fee Code (\$)	Fee Description	Fee Paid
1202 18	2202 9	Claims in excess of 20			
1201 84	2201 42	Independent claims in excess of 3			
1203 280	2203 140	Multiple dependent claim, if not paid			
1204 84	2204 42	** Reissue independent claims over original patent			
1205 18	2205 9	** Reissue claims in excess of 20 and over original patent			

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FEE CALCULATION (continued)

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1051	130	2051	65	Surcharge - late filing fee or oath	
1052	50	2052	25	Surcharge - late provisional filing fee or cover sheet	
1053	130	1053	130	Non-English specification	
1812	2,520	1812	2,520	For filing a request for reexamination	
1804	920*	1804	920*	Requesting publication of SIR prior to Examiner action	
1805	1,840*	1805	1,840*	Requesting publication of SIR after Examiner action	
1251	110	2251	55	Extension for reply within first month	
1252	410	2252	205	Extension for reply within second month	
1253	930	2253	465	Extension for reply within third month	
1254	1,450	2254	725	Extension for reply within fourth month	
1255	1,970	2255	985	Extension for reply within fifth month	
1401	320	2401	160	Notice of Appeal	
1402	320	2402	160	Filing a brief in support of an appeal	
1403	280	2403	140	Request for oral hearing	
1451	1,510	1451	1,510	Petition to institute a public use proceeding	
1452	110	2452	55	Petition to revive - unavoidable	
1453	1,300	2453	650	Petition to revive - unintentional	
1501	1,300	2501	650	Utility issue fee (or reissue)	
1502	470	2502	235	Design issue fee	
1503	630	2503	315	Plant issue fee	
1460	130	1460	130	Petitions to the Commissioner	
1807	50	1807	50	Processing fee under 37 CFR 1.17 (q)	
1806	180	1806	180	Submission of Information Disclosure Statement	
8021	40	8021	40	Recording each patent assignment per property (times number of properties)	40
1809	750	2809	375	Filing a submission after final rejection (37 CFR § 1.129(a))	
1810	750	2810	375	For each additional invention to be examined (37 CFR § 1.129(b))	
1801	750	2801	375	Request for Continued Examination (RCE)	
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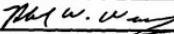
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Atty Docket Number	5490-000341

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